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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL SHEET**

Enclosed is a preliminary amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

For	Number After Amendment	Previous Number	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	38	- 27	* 11	x \$ 11.00	= \$121.00
Independent claims	4	- 4	** 0	x \$ 40.00	= \$0.00
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**In the Claims**

Please amend the claims follows:

Please cancel claim 19. ✓

1 Sub. E's 62 (as amended) A method of operating gaming devices interconnected by a computer network to a host computer having a user-operated input device comprising:  
associating each gaming device with a unique address code;  
selecting [a plurality] less than all of the gaming devices interconnected by the  
computer network responsive to a user-effected action at the input device which identifies the  
selected gaming devices with the respective associated address codes;

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